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Air Services in Remote Areas
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme of the Government to promote aviation transport in remote areas of the country including Rajasthan;

(b) the total number of cities selected from Rajasthan under the said scheme;

(c) whether the Government proposes to revisit/review the process of privatisation of six airports started earlier due to heavy airports duty in the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reasons for delay in starting flight services from Jaisalmer Airport despite its completion and the time by which flight services are likely to start therefrom?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) & (b) : Government has laid down route dispersal guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into the account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability.

(c): There is no such proposal at present.

(d): Scheduled domestic airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines issued by the Government. However, no airlines has so far elicited interest in starting air operations from Jaisalmer Airport.